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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
MICHEL RENARD ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: 10/030,194 :  
FILED: FEBRUARY 4, 2002 :  
FOR: MUTANT GENE OF THE GRAS FAMILY AND PLANTS WITH REDUCED  
DEVELOPMENT CONTAINING SAID MUTANT GENE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Communication mailed May 15, 2002, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please insert the attached Abstract as page 12.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 4, please replace the paragraph at lines 31-34 as follows:

A subject of the present invention is a nucleic acid sequence obtained by mutation of  
a sequence encoding a plant protein of the GRAS family comprising the following peptide  
sequence (I, SEQ ID NO:5):

Page 5, please replace the paragraph at lines 16-19 as follows: